## ABSTRACT

This is a thin film forming apparatus which is equipped with a target constructed of a thin film material, a cathode for generating a particulate thin film material from the target, a supporting member for supporting the substrate on which the particulate thin film material is to be deposited, a heater for heating the substrate, and a guide for introducing the particulate thin film material onto a surface of the substrate where the thin film material is deposited, wherein the supporting member supports the substrate so as to expose the first principal surface and its backside (second principal surface) of the substrate, the target is disposed in a position for producing the particulate thin film material in an extension of the first principal surface of the substrate, and the guide is disposed on the first principal surface and the second principal surface of the substrate.